




EXECUTIVE ORDER

Date: April 8, 2020
To: Pueblo of Laguna Residents, Membership, and All Persons
From: Governor Wilfred Herrera, Jr. 
Re: **Stay-At-Home ORDER**
Pueblo Closure to Non-Residents

Under the authority of the Pueblo of Laguna Emergency Operations Plan and to promote the health & safety of the Pueblo of Laguna Community in an effort to continue to address concerns over COVID-19, I, Governor Wilfred Herrera, Jr., as a supplement to the Emergency Declaration dated March 20, 2020, hereby issue this **Stay-At-Home Order** for all Pueblo residents and a **Pueblo Closure to all Non-Residents**. This Order and Closure of the Pueblo Community will be **effective April 8, 2020**, and will remain in effect until further notice.

I. The following are specifics of the Pueblo Closure;

A. Closure:

1. The Pueblo will be closed to all Outside Visitors and Non-Residents, with **exception** to;
 - a) Non-resident essential employees of the Pueblo or any Pueblo chartered enterprise or entity;
 - b) Non-resident supply vendors, construction workers, interstate commercial drivers, maintenance workers, or health care and mental health providers;
 - c) Non-residents accessing essential commercial services at I-40 exits 108, 114, and 140;
 - d) Non-residents traveling on State Roads and BIA Public Routes, provided all persons remain inside the vehicle unless accessing essential service under A.1.c or performing essential work under A.1.a or A.1.b;
2. Entrances to Villages and residential subdivisions will be closed to all visitors and non-residents except as stated in A.1;
3. All Tribal buildings will continue to be closed to the public, this includes the POL Utility Authority and Laguna Rainbow Corporation facilities (Nursing Home & Senior Center),
4. All non-essential businesses will be closed to residents and the public;
5. No arts & crafts or food vendors will be permitted to sell;
6. No camping or parking by travelers, visitors/tourists, or non-residents within the Pueblo boundaries, including RV parks which are closed to non-residents, **with exception** to essential service providers under A.1 or A.1.b staying at Dancing Eagle RV Park or Route 66 RV Resort;
7. Route 66 Casino and Dancing Eagle Casino will remain closed.



B. Curfew:

1. No traffic between villages and residential areas during the hours of 8:00 PM to 5:00 AM daily, with **exception** to:
 - a) Any essential employee or on-call staff under A.1 or A.1.b who may be traveling outside of the curfew hours to report to work or to return home, provided such person shall carry their employee badge or documentation identifying essential worker status.

C. Essential Businesses:

1. State Roads and BIA Public Routes within the Pueblo will remain open for access until further notice;
2. Ranchers and Farmers will be permitted to maintain their livestock and fields with adherence to all safety and social distancing precautions;
3. Tribal Government operations and tribal entities identified as essential by Pueblo Leadership, (further identified in the FAQ sheet);

All individuals are encouraged to support and adhere to all protocols outlined above for the safety and overall wellbeing of all community residents first. However, failure to adhere to this Order will be subject to Criminal or Civil Sanctions under Pueblo Law.

II. The following are specifics of the Stay-At-Home Order;

A. Tribal Members/Community Members:

1. All Community residents shall remain within their home and yard, except for essential travel or outdoor activities, refer to part B. 2;
2. Residents may leave their homes to gather essential items such as groceries, cleaning supplies, and personal hygiene products,
3. Residents are permitted to check on or assist elders/family/community members in need of assistance,
4. Residents who are essential employees as determined by their place of employment will be permitted to travel to and from work and must adhere to practicing good safety precautions,
5. Residents will be permitted to pick up medication and other medical necessities, please ensure you call before pick-up;
6. Residents will be permitted to pick-up Senior or Child lunches at their designated locations;



Please practice safety precautions while out, maintain social distancing protocols, and commit to traveling to the pick-up location and back home.

B. Social Distancing:

1. No holding gatherings of 5 or more individuals within one household, unless there are 5 or more individuals that live in the home;
2. Outdoor activities are supported to help individuals maintain their physical and mental health; however, limit your time for these activities to what is essential, observe good hygiene and maintain social distancing protocols at all times.

C. Passing of Membership:

1. Wakes and Burials will be limited to the immediate family (grandparents, parents, step-parents, brothers, sisters, children);
2. Arrangements with your respective Village Officials & Cultural Leadership will be permitted;
3. All individuals shall adhere to all mandates under this order.

III. Pueblo of Laguna Entities and Enterprises:

- A.** The Executive Order shall apply to all Pueblo Entities and Enterprises with requirements established by the Governor.

IV. Religious Activities and Notification

- A.** The Pueblo will rely on notification from religious leaders and war captains, to inform Tribal and Village leadership, in regards to conducting any religious ceremonies and activities within the six villages. It is encouraged that all precautions are considered, understood and implemented under this order to ensure the safety, protection, and wellbeing of ALL THE PEOPLE.

Protocols have been developed by the Laguna Emergency Operations Center (EOC) in an effort to minimize the deadly effects of this public health emergency. Social distancing (keeping a 6ft. distance from another person) **is a proven method** to minimize the spread of COVID-19 and is **the most effective way** of mitigating the potentially devastating impacts of this pandemic.

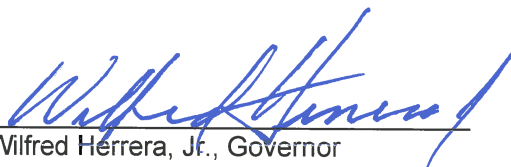
If you have any questions regarding this order, please contact your Village Officials or the Governor's office. For more information on the stay-at-home and social distancing recommended protocols, or what specific businesses/services are open, you may reference the POL FAQ sheet or visit the POL website COVID-19



link at www.lagunapueblo-nsn.gov or call the Laguna COVID-19 Information Line at (505) 328-5682 or email to covidinfo@pol-nsn.gov for more detailed information.

This was a difficult and disheartening decision to make on behalf of the Pueblo, however with everyone's understanding, support, dedication, and commitment to defending our community from the potential damage a pandemic such as this may pose on our people, the decision was a necessary one. Continue to be good responsible community members, and I ask that you all continue to remain patient as our community works through this difficult time, stay safe and healthy.

Executed by:



Wilfred Herrera, Jr., Governor



Date